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IN THE COURT OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE AT KARAIKAL

Present: Dr. Franklin Laltinkhuma, i.a.s., District Magistrate, Karaikal.

M.C. No. 1, dated 4th March 2011.

ORDER UNDER SECTION 144 of Cr. P.C. 1973

Whereas, the Election Commission of India has announced on 1-3-2011, that election for the Puducherry Legislative Assembly will be held on 13-4-2011 and soon after this announcement of the election schedule, the Model Code of Conduct has come into force with immediate effect;

And whereas, the Election Commission of India, issued instructions that District Magistrate, shall make a detailed and individual review and assessment of all licensed arms holders, so that licensed arms in those cases, where they consider it essential are impounded in order to ensure maintenance of law and order so essential for ensuing free and fair elections;

And whereas the Election Commission of India, also instructed that prohibitory orders under section 144 of Criminal Procedure Code, 1973, shall be issued banning the carrying of licensed arms as soon as an election is announced and should be effective till the declaration of results;

And whereas, it appears to me that carrying of fire arms, spears, swords, sticks, brickbats, lathis and other weapons by the public during the election period, is likely to lead to breach of peace and threat to peaceful conduct of elections in the District of Karaikal of Union territory of Puducherry;

And whereas, in my opinion there is sufficient ground for proceeding under section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, to prohibit the action mentioned in para (4) which may be detrimental to public peace and tranquillity and may pose threat to peaceful conduct of free and fair elections;

And whereas, all the Station House Officers, shall make a detailed and individual review and assessment of all licence holders and all the arms licence holders shall deposit their weapons with the nearest Police Station immediately and in any case before 15-3-2011. If the individual licence holder fails to deposit their arms, the Station House Officer shall impound it. The Station House Officer shall furnish a detailed report on such deposit and seizure;

And whereas, this ban shall not be applicable to those communities who are entitled to display weapons by long standing law, custom and usage and also to those nationalised/private banks, where arms necessary to safeguard cash chest. However, individual exemption order shall have to be obtained immediately.

Now, therefore I, Dr.Franklin Laltinkhuma, I.A.S., District Magistrate, Karaikal do hereby—

- 1. Order that all the arms licence holders shall deposit their weapons with the nearest Police Station immediately, latest by 15th March 2011.
- 2. Prohibit; possession and carrying of any kind of spears, swords, sticks, brickbats, lathis and other weapons by the general public in the District of Karaikal with immediate effect.

Dated, the 4th March 2011.

Dr. Franklin Laltinkhuma, I.A.S., District Magistrate.